Compound growth rates

(Percent per annum)

	Assumed base year	Kharif	Rabi
VI Plan	1979-80	5·08	6·05
VII Plan . . .	1984-85	3·37	3·25

(b) Various steps being taken to further accelerate the production of Kharif and Rabi foodgrains during the Eighth Five Year Plan include:

(i) special thrust in irrigated areas;

(ii) adoption of integrated agriculture of mixed farming covering food crops, cash crops, fodder, vegetables, forestry etc.;

(iii) in the case of foodgrains production package of advanced technology, quality seeds, efficient water use, machinery and other agricultural inputs and efficient extension support would be adopted;

(iv) implementation of export based programme particularly covering durum wheat in important growing States. Similar thrust would be given to produce suitable varieties of rice for export purposes;

(v) integrated plant protection measures.

Appraisal of Dryland farming

2296. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any appraisal of the success achieved dry-land and farming has been made in the form of crop yield;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what steps Government are contemplating to increase the per hectare yield of the dryland crops in a time-frame of 5 to 10 years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN) : (a) and (b) The Government have adopted Watershed Development Approach as National strategy for improving production and productivity in rainfed areas. An appraisal of 46 model watersheds loca. ted. in 16 states under different agroclimatic zones was completed in July 1990. The Committee found that 'the yield nearly increased 2-3 times and cropping intensity increased from 50 to 70 per cent.

(c) National Watershed Development Project for Rainfed Areas, Multinational Integrated Watershed Development Projects and Bilateral Watershed Development Project are being operated for increasing the yield of important dryland crops, diversifying the production system for improving the income levels of farmers and re. inforcing the natural resources base of land and water.

भूकम्प पीड़ितों के पुनर्वास हेतु उत्तर प्रदेश को वित्तीय सहायता

2297. श्री अनन्त राम जायसवाल : क्या मंत्री कृषि यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि ;

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार को उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार से उस राज्य में हाल में आये भूकम्प से पीड़ित व्यक्तियों के पुर्नवास के लिये 300 करोड़ रूपये की वित्तीय सहायता प्रदान किये जाने का अनरोध प्राप्त हुआ है !

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या उस अनुरोध मान लिया गया है ; और